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MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Noon.—*Hiroshima Maru* leaves for Bombay, &c.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per *Sisang* undelivered after noon this date subject to return.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, June 23.—Auction of Household Furniture, by Mr. G. P. Lamont. Goods per *Sydney* unclaimed before Noon, subject to return.

SUNDAY, June 24.—3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land situated at Temple Street, Yau Ma Tei.

3.15 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land situated at Ma-Tau-Kok.

TUESDAY, June 26.—Goods per *Wales Maru* not cleared after this date subject to return.

SATURDAY, July 1.—12.45 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd., at the Company's Offices, No. 4, Queen's Building.

WEDNESDAY, July 4.—11 a.m.—Auction of Valuable Furniture, at the Mount Richmond, by Messrs. Hughes and Hough.

Opium Quotations.

HONGKONG, June 21, 1900.

New Patna, cash,.....	115
Old Patna, cash,.....	1055
New Benares, cash,.....	1015
Old Benares, cash,.....	—
New Malwa, credit,.....	—
Allowance, Taels,.....	200/330
Last Year,.....	net 12/16
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Alphonse, Taels,.....	12/16
Portuguese Oly, cash,.....	—
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Persian, Paper tail long,.....	£00/050
Allowance, Taels,.....	—

Exchange.

HONGKONG, June 21, 1900.	11.09.
On London—	—
Bank, Wires,.....	1/11 ²
On demand,.....	1/11 ²
— " 30 days' sight,.....	1/11 ²
— " 4 months' sight,.....	1/11 ²
Credits, 4,.....	1/11 ²
Documentary, 3 months' sight,.....	2/0
On Paris—	—
On demand,.....	2.46
Credits, 4 months' sight,.....	2.54
On Berlin—Domestic,.....	2.00
On New York—	—
On demand,.....	473
— " 60 days' sight,.....	484
On Boulogne—	—
Ware,.....	146
On demand,.....	146
On Calcutta—	—
Ware,.....	161
On demand,.....	162
On Singapore—	—
On demand,.....	11 1/2 pun.
On Manila—	—
On demand,.....	21 1/2 pun.
On Shanghai—	—
On demand,.....	713
30 days' sight, (private paper).....	723
On Yokohama—	—
On demand,.....	31 1/2 pun.
Gold, London, 100 lbs, (per tael).....	812.75
Sovereign, (Bank's buying rate).....	810.13
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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JUNE 21, 1900.

Editorial Comment.

It is proverbial that every thing in the way of news from Peking requires to be taken with a grain of salt. But in the main, what we read about the past and the present doings of the Empress-Dowager is fairly accurate. Her biography shows a marked similarity to two or three female characters who in days gone by won the people: one a Biblical character and another to be found in Russian annals. The favorite of the Empress who is credited with most power is a creature named Li, known as the false eunuch. In a recent article in our morning contemporary much of interest is given, and the poisoning of the favorite is described. Now it is quite true that a rumour was current to the effect that Li had been made away with, but it is also true that the report was subsequently contradicted. Indeed, the well-informed Chinese reader of palace intrigue is as much in evidence as ever he was. Where he and his friends now are we are waiting to hear,

for the present, turned the civilised world against the officials who now represent the Chinese Empire at the capital, at Tientsin and at Taku. A state of war has been forced upon the Powers by the insane action of the ignorant and helpless out-of-date reactionary party the members of which still believe that the sun still goes round the world, and that all glory and power centre in Peking. It is pleasant to note the endeavour which is being made to confine the limits of the disturbances to the Pei-ho district; and if the allied Powers can succeed speedily in making such arrangements as will meet the requirements of the Empire, such a desirable object may be accomplished. At the same time, the Powers ought to be ready to deal effectively with the rowdies to disturb the peace of any part of the Country. The Vicereys will be doing well for the Chinese people if they will only assist in maintaining order in their provinces. Such action will be found to be the best policy, for a new era has now most undoubtedly dawned upon China, however the details of administration may henceforth be arranged.

We shall hope for the best, but the exercise of caution and the adoption of precautions are much needed all round.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

A meeting of the Legislative Council will be held on Monday afternoon.

N.B.—Postal Mail p.r.a.s. Closes at 3 p.m. on Friday, the 22nd inst.

The French and German Mail of the 21st and 16th May were delivered in London on the 19th June.

The return of plague cases up to noon on the 21st June showed that 8 fresh cases and 9 deaths occurred during the preceding 24 hours.

A Home paper says, the public ex-citement of China, who at present only receive 1s. per victim, have struck for double pay, although they have been assured that business is likely to be brisk in the near future.

The four torpedo-boats reported as having been taken by the British fleet at Taku are two years old. They were built by Messrs. Telgo & Co., cost £60,000 each, and are able to steam 32 knots an hour. These boats will be properly kept now they are in good hands.

The 'Diadem' and 'Furious'.

H.M.S. *Diadem* which has been ordered to China is a first-class cruiser, of 11,000 tons and engines of an I.H.P. 16,500 N.D. She was commissioned at Portsmouth on 19th July for the Channel Squadron by Captain Walter H. B. Graham and Commander Robert H. Austrich. *The Furious* is a twin-screw cruiser of the second class, of 7,750 tons. She has an L.I.P. of 10,000 N.D. The *Furious* was commissioned at Devonport on July 1, 1898, for service with the Channel Squadron, by Captain Lewis E. Wintz with Joseph R. Bridson as Commander.

Indian Field Batteries.

The Indian Field Batteries are armed with 15 pounder guns, but it is proposed to equip the batteries with 30-pounder guns. The experience gained in South Africa has shown that a gun intermediate in size between those of the Field artillery and the heavy siege piece is urgently required, as a back-up to the lighter ordnance. The 4-inch gun, firing a 30 pounder shell, would soon well meet the requirements of the case, as it is a long-ranging piece, and lyddite can be used in the shell if necessary. Batteries so equipped will not, of course, be mobile as ordinary Field artillery, but they will be able to keep up with infantry in open country, and they can be hauled into position with drag-ropes, even on hills of some steepness.

A Good Story of Gov. Mr. William.

In Mr. P. F. Warre's new book, 'Crickit in Many Climes,' a rather good story is told of Sir William Robinson, K.C.M.G., who was Governor of Trinidad for many years and late Governor of Hongkong. A gentleman bet him that he would make a team of black men who would play as well as white men in the field.

The match duly came off. As his Excellency was going to the wicket, the black man then bowling was observed to show signs of uneasiness. The idea of bowling so important a man was evidently not pleasant; and at last, going up to his captain, he said in a stage whisper perfectly audible to the Governor at the wicket, 'One point in this outbreak at the Chinese capital is notable. It has taken us back to the beginning of the century, long before any international understanding was arrived at about the rules of war. China, or rather her opium rulers, have forgotten these rules, and have

lapsed into barbarism. Murder is not war,

neither does the trick of supporting mercenary rebels come within international rules. To fire upon an enemy without notice is also outside the limits of civilized rules;

but this may be explained away when

the case, the methods of international

usage by the High Authorities at Peking

are known.

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CAMPBELL, MOORE AND COMPANY, LIMITED.

AN ARMED PEOPLE.

The Astonishing Example of Switzerland.

"We must have men when the time comes in sufficient numbers to make the enterprise of any enemy that may attack us even the most unpromising among us need ever be afraid of us." — Lord Salisbury.

The resolution carried at the meeting at which Lord Salisbury made the above statement is one which opens the way to an almost endless discussion as to ways and means. It was resolved to call upon Her Majesty's subjects in the United Kingdom to prepare in the time of peace as to be ready to play their part in a time of Imperial emergencies.

There is no doubt but that the British people will be anxious enough to be trained in the use of the rifle in readiness for an attempted invasion. They would, however, be much more eager to come forward if they knew that there was some suitable scheme already drawn up under which no training would be wasted and no time lost.

Swiss Rifle Clubs.

When the question of universal training arises, one's mind naturally turns to Switzerland, and one feels anxious to know how the little free Republic manages the question of preparation against invasion.

The rifle clubs are the principal method of military instruction in Switzerland, and it is therefore useful to go into the fullest detail with regard to them.

One of the most important points about the rifle clubs is that they are absolutely independent; they may receive no money whatever, and they elect their own committee.

To gain the Government grants, however, they are required to comply with the following conditions:

"The grant is made to societies which are not less than fifty members, and which are through the military course laid down by the Swiss military department each year. This course has to be first with the regulation rifle."

The societies in each canton are under surveillance of one or more 'Shooting Commissions,' composed of three to seven members, nominated by the cantonal military authorities. The president of the commission is, in almost every case, a military officer. To act as intermediary between the commissions and the Federal authorities, there is appointed an officer of high rank.

The societies must present an annual report, showing those of their members who have successfully fired their course. Those who are fresh from compulsory military practice.

Capitation Grant.

The military course which has to be fired by all members of rifle clubs is as follows:

1. Kneeling at 300 yards at a fixed target.

II. Standing.

III. Lying at 400' " " "

IV. Kneeling at 300 yards at a dummy target.

For each of these exercises ten shots are allowed and five at least must be fired.

As soon as twelve points have been scored, the marksman passes to the next exercise.

For the fourth exercise it is necessary to hit the dummy target twice in from five to ten shots.

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APING MAU,

Captain I. SAITO, will be despatched for
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Hongkong, June 18, 1900. 1337

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ULYSSES,

Captain BROWN, will be despatched as
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For Freight, apply to

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Agents.

Hongkong, June 18, 1900. 1339

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.FOR QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY
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Captain WILLIAMS, will be despatched on
SATURDAY, the 14th July, at 4 p.m.The attention of Passengers is directed to
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this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated
forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating
Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Pro-
visions during the entire voyage. A duly-
qualified Surgeon is carried, and the Vessel
is fitted throughout with Electric Light.N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Com-
pany to and from AUSTRALIA are available
for return by the Steamers of the Eastern
and Australian S. S. Co., and vice versa.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, June 18, 1900. 1335

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship—

MENELAUS,

Captain TOWELL, will be despatched as
above on TUESDAY, the 10th July.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, June 18, 1900. 1371

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship—

ETTRICKDALE

will be despatched for the above Port on
or about the 6th July, and the S. S. SIKH
on or about the 13th July.

They will be followed by the

Steamship AFGHANISTAN.

For Freight, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, June 18, 1900. 1340

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship—

STATOR,

Captain JACKSON, will be despatched as
above on TUESDAY, the 24th July.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, June 18, 1900. 1342

NOTICE.

Shipping.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship—
KANSU will be despatched as above on SATUR-
DAY, the 23rd Inst., at 2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, June 20, 1900. 1370

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR CEBU AND ILOILO.

THE Company's Steamship—
KWEIYANG, Captain T. TADDE, will be despatched
from this Office on FRIDAY, the 22nd Inst., at
4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, June 19, 1900. 1337

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.THE Company's Steamship—
SUISANG, Captain TADDE, will be despatched as
above on MONDAY, the 25th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHISON & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, June 20, 1900. 1335

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship—
KAIFONG, Captain PENSEYER, will be despatched
as above on MONDAY, the 25th Inst., at
4 p.m.The attention of Passengers is directed to
the Superior Accommodation offered by
this Steamer. The Vessel is fitted throughout
with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, June 18, 1900. 1350

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers.

OLDENBURG, ...

BAFFERN, ...

STUTTGART, ...

KONG ALBERT, ...

PRINZ FRIEDRICH, ...

PRUSSIA, ...

LETTING (HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE), ...

OLDENBURG, ...

KONG ALBERT, ...

PRINZ FRIEDRICH, ...

THURSDAY, ...

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WEDNESDAY, ...